



# Town of Natick

## Water & Sewer Rate Comparison - FY 2008-2010

### Effects of Averaging Multi-Unit Bills

Water and Sewer Rates have changed significantly over the last several years in Natick. Since 2008, the rate structure been modified to increase the costs to high water users and shorten the largest rate tier while trying to hold the line on costs to low water users. In order to offset this increase in rates for residential developments with only one meter, the Water & Sewer Commissioners have extended averaging to all multi-family residential customers in order to make the overall impact on residential customers as fair as possible. The diagrams below show the impacts of rates on Single-Family, Condominium and Apartment dwellers as well as those who have separate irrigation meters over the last three fiscal years.

#### Single-Family

	2008			2009			2010		
	Tier	Combined Rate	Cost	Tier	Combined Rate	Cost	Tier	Combined Rate	Cost
Average Bill:									
26.57				Admin. Fee		\$ 5.00	Admin. Fee		\$ 5.00
(in HCF)	0-7	\$ 32.40	\$ 32.40	0-10	\$ 5.23	\$ 52.30	0-10	\$ 5.64	\$ 56.40
	8-20	\$ 9.05	\$ 117.65	11-20	\$ 9.10	\$ 91.00	11-20	\$ 9.67	\$ 96.70
	21-40	\$ 10.30	\$ 67.67	21-40	\$ 14.65	\$ 96.25	21-40	\$ 15.61	\$ 102.56
Bill:			<b>\$ 217.72</b>			<b>\$ 244.55</b>			<b>\$ 260.66</b>
Percent Change						12.32%			6.59%

#### Condominiums

	2008			2009 (averaged)			2010 (averaged)		
	Tier	Combined Rate	Cost	Tier	Combined Rate	Cost	Tier	Combined Rate	Cost
Assumed Bill:				Admin. Fee		\$ 5.00	Admin. Fee		\$ 5.00
265.7	0-7	\$ 32.40	\$ 32.40	0-10	\$ 5.23	\$ 52.30	0-10	\$ 5.64	\$ 56.40
# of Units:	8-20	\$ 9.05	\$ 117.65	11-20	\$ 9.10	\$ 91.00	11-20	\$ 9.67	\$ 96.70
10	21-100	\$ 10.30	\$ 824.00	21-40	\$ 14.65	\$ 96.25	21-40	\$ 15.61	\$ 102.56
	100+	\$ 10.90	\$ 1,806.13	40+	\$ 16.40	\$ -	40+	\$ 17.48	N/A
Total Bill:			<b>\$ 2,780.18</b>			<b>\$ 2,445.51</b>			<b>\$ 2,606.58</b>
Per Unit Bill:			<b>\$ 278.02</b>			<b>\$ 244.55</b>			<b>\$ 260.66</b>
Percent Change						-12.04%			6.59%

#### Apartments

	2008			2009			2010 (averaged)		
	Tier	Combined Rate	Cost	Tier	Combined Rate	Cost	Tier	Combined Rate	Cost
Assumed Bill:				Admin. Fee		\$ 5.00	Admin. Fee		\$ 5.00
265.7	0-7	\$ 32.40	\$ 32.40	0-10	\$ 5.23	\$ 52.30	0-10	\$ 5.64	\$ 56.40
# of Units:	8-20	\$ 9.05	\$ 117.65	11-20	\$ 9.10	\$ 91.00	11-20	\$ 9.67	\$ 96.70
10	21-100	\$ 10.30	\$ 824.00	21-40	\$ 14.65	\$ 293.00	21-40	\$ 15.61	\$ 102.56
	100+	\$ 10.90	\$ 1,806.13	40+	\$ 16.40	\$ 3,701.48	40+	\$ 17.48	N/A
Total Bill:			<b>\$ 2,780.18</b>			<b>\$ 4,142.78</b>			<b>\$ 2,606.58</b>
Per Unit Bill:			<b>\$ 278.02</b>			<b>\$ 414.28</b>			<b>\$ 260.66</b>
Percent Change						49.01%			-37.08%

#### Irrigation

	2008			2009			2010		
	Tier	Combined Rate	Cost	Tier	Combined Rate	Cost	Tier	Combined Rate	Cost
Assumed Bill:				Admin. Fee		\$ 5.00	Admin. Fee		\$ 5.00
30	0-2	\$ 6.40	\$ 6.40	0-10	\$ 2.50	\$ 25.00	0-10	\$ 2.73	\$ 27.30
	2-20	\$ 3.45	\$ 62.10	11-20	\$ 5.00	\$ 50.00	11-20	\$ 5.30	\$ 53.00
	21-100	\$ 5.70	\$ 57.00	21-40	\$ 6.65	\$ 66.50	21-40	\$ 7.09	\$ 70.90
	100+	\$ 6.20	\$ -	40+	\$ 8.15	\$ -	40+	\$ 8.69	\$ -
Bill:			<b>\$ 125.50</b>			<b>\$ 146.50</b>			<b>\$ 156.20</b>
Percent Change						16.73%			6.62%